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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Teruo HORIZUMI, et al.

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FOR:

SHEET COSMETICS

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

Transmitted herewith is a RESPONSE AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION in the above-identified application.

- No additional fee is required
- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- ☐ Additional documents filed herewith: -NONE-

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RESPONSE AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the outstanding Official Action of March 27, 2003, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks:

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Claims 1-19 remain active in this application.

The present invention is directed to a sheet cosmetic comprising an aqueous gel sheet in the absence of a supporting layer.

Applicants wish to thank examiner Howard for the helpful and courteous discussion held with their U.S. representative on June 3, 2003. At that time, Applicants' U.S. representative argued that the cited reference failed to disclose or suggest a cosmetic sheet in the absence of a supporting layer. The following is intended to expand upon the discussion with the examiner

The rejection of Claims 1-19 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over JP 8-188,527 (hereinafter JP '527) is respectfully traversed.